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BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT TOWN

J. A. Remington was a visitor in town over Sunday.

Miss Mary Abbott, of Essex street, is ill at her home.

There will be a supper and social at the Free church tonight.

Charles Myers is very ill at the "Elkhead" on Central street.

Mrs. George B. Sellars has been ill at her home on Brook street.

The Bricault property on Salem street has been purchased by John W. Bell.

John Thompson has been confined to his home on Chestnut street with illness.

Frank D'Entremont has entered the employ of William Doherty, the local contractor.

The real estate business is booming just now. Rogers' Agency has some attractive offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lynch, of North Main street, are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter.

Mrs. Thomas O'Hara is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. P. Eaton, North Main street.

Miss Irene Watson, of Stamford, Maine, has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Frank Watson of Walnut ave.

Arthur Bliss is building a camp at Stimson's pond, Boxford, which will be ready for occupancy early in the season.

The regular monthly meeting of the Men's club of Christ church will be held this evening, March 19th, in the Glebe House.

Mrs. Frank Jenkins, of Winthrop, had the misfortune to fall and break her arm. Mrs. Jenkins is well known to many Andover people.

St. Margaret's Society of Christ church will resume its meetings for work at the Glebe House next Tuesday at 2.30. All members are asked to be present.

The annual meeting of the Andover-Harvard club will be held next Tuesday evening at Phillips Inn. Prof. Clifford Moore, of Harvard, will be the speaker.

All those who are interested are urged to attend the union service to be held at the Baptist church on Sunday evening. A good meeting is assured and it is hoped that there will be an unusually large attendance.

Among the recent real estate transfers of local interest are the following: James A. Hill to George D. Knightley, James F. Perkins to Richard Hodnett, James A. Hill to Jesse T. Fuller.

The assignment of the Allen Drug Co. of Hanover, N. H. has been dissolved, and the business sold to E. M. Allen and W. A. Allen, who will carry on the business from this date under the firm name of Allen Drug Co.

Tomorrow, Saturday, evening, Prof. Williams will continue his course of lectures on The Bible in Bible Lands, at Christ church Parish house. The lectures begin at 7.30 o'clock, and are open to the public without admission fee.

The A. V. I. S. again offers to the children of Andover ten cents for each hundred belts of tent caterpillar, brought to the school buildings. The offer ceases the first day of May and may be withdrawn sooner if the season proves to be unusually early.

A general invitation is given to singers to join the chorus choir which is singing in the union meetings of the South, Free, and Baptist churches. There will be a meeting for practice in the South church vestry tomorrow night at 7.45. Come, and be one of a hundred. The Alexander hymns will be used.

Mrs. G. D. Lawson of Maple avenue has been appointed agent for this district of a clever device which has been given the name of "Mendets." The device is used for mending leaks in granite ware, hot water bags, and all kinds of cooking utensils and rubber goods. A card in the store window of Crowley & Co. explains fully the use of the "Mendets."

The third and last concert in the Abbot Academy series will be given by Mlle. Germaine Aenard in Davis Hall, April 22, at 4 o'clock. Although but 17 years old, this beautiful and famous French pianist has had phenomenal success. Mr. Philip Hale, of the Boston Herald, says she must be ranked among the very first pianists now visiting this country.

Dr. Edward C. Conroy was an invited guest at the 172nd anniversary dinner of the Charitable Irish society of Boston, which was held at the Hotel Brunswick, on Wednesday evening. After a very appetizing menu had been disposed of, an interesting program of addresses and songs was enjoyed. The orator of the evening, Hon. Robert J. Gamble, U. S. Senator from South Dakota, delivered a very brilliant address. Other speakers were, Hon. Charles S. Hamlin, Gov. Eben S. Drayer, Mayor George A. Hibbard and Mr. Arthur N. Bliss. The addresses were interspersed with the singing of "St. Patrick's Day," "Star Spangled Banner," "Hail to the Chief," "Home, Sweet Home," and "Should Auld Acquaintance." The evening proved very entertaining to the large gathering present.

"Dutch" Levine was in town Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Knight of Maple avenue is very ill at her home.

Yesterday, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Monte Z. Whitcomb.

Mrs. John Soehrens is very seriously ill at her home on Whittier street.

Mrs. Carrie Berry visited Mrs. George Baker, of Argilla road, last week.

Miss Obiah Gunnerson of Essex street is recovering from a recent illness.

There will be a private dancing party in the November club house tonight.

Miss Marion Browne has left town to spend a few weeks in the White Mountains.

Mrs. Thomas Manion has been confined to her home on Walnut avenue with illness.

Albert Barnes, of Maple avenue, has been removed to the Mass. General hospital.

Miss Marion Lowd is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lowd, Bartlett street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Salisbury of Bartlett street are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Work has been begun on the house to be erected by Gerald D'Arcy on Orchard street.

There was a meeting of the Girls' Friendly society of Christ church parish, last Monday evening.

Miss Driscoll has accepted the position as teacher in the eighth grade recently vacated by Miss Marion Browne.

Rev. John Hopkins Denison of the Central church, of Boston, occupied the pulpit at the Seminary chapel, Sunday.

Rev. Philo W. Sprague of St. John's church, Charlestown, occupied the pulpit of Christ church, Thursday evening.

James G. Saunders has accepted a position as head athletic coach at Rockland Military Academy, situated at West Lebanon, N. H.

The Women's Relief Corps of this town will entertain the W. R. C. of Reading on March 21. After the meeting a supper will be served.

Last Sunday evening a union service was held at the Free church. Carl W. Hamilton was the speaker and Carl A. Pfau the soloist.

Joseph Sheppard of Lawrence defeated Arthur Mitchell in a road race between Andover and Ballardvale. Sheppard won by almost two minutes.

Last Saturday evening, Prof. E. H. Williams, Jr., gave the first of his course of lectures on "The Bible in Bible Lands", in Christ church parish house at 7.30 o'clock.

The many friends of Mrs. William Anderson of Red Spring road, will be pleased to learn that she has passed the danger point in her serious illness, and is likely to get well again.

Elmer H. Thompson, the old Andover football captain and star guard, has applied for a position as body guard to President Taft. Thompson is 26 years of age, weighs 250 pounds and stands over six feet tall. He is of powerful build and his Andover friends think he will make an ideal man for the position.

Cricket Field Sold

The property known as the "Cricket field", which has for many years been the scene of varied athletic contests, was sold this week by Frank E. Gleason to the Smith & Dove Company. Just how the property is to be utilized is not known just at present.

Bowling

The game played on the Hillside House alleys last Friday evening, between the team representing the Overseers' Club and one from the repairs department of the Smith & Dove mills, and which had been looked forward to with a great deal of interest by lovers of rolling in the village, resulted in a decided victory for the Overseers.

Boutwell of the Overseers rolled a splendid game, having a total of 272. Jameison did the best rolling for the repairs department boys, making a total of 248. It has not been decided when the return match between these two teams will be played.

REPAIRS SHOP TEAM

	1	2	3	Ttls.
Welch	70	81	75	227
Germaine	69	63	75	207
Jameison	94	75	79	248
J. Lawson	76	96	64	236
Hogg	79	71	67	217

Totals, 388 302 361 1141

OVERSEERS' TEAM

	1	2	3	Ttls.
Bradford	93	74	89	257
McCrory	82	81	81	244
Lawson	73	72	82	227
McCarthy	87	82	85	254
Boutwell	82	96	94	272

Totals, 417 405 431 1253

Individual scores of members of the Overseers' Club, made in practice, Thursday, March 11, and Tuesday, March 16, on the Hillside House alleys, show that the club might put two competing teams in the field, with good prospects of winning games, and are as follows:

Thursday, March 11:

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Gordon	78	75	77	80	310
McDonald	58	59	74	67	258
Lamont	84	90	73	85	332
Lawson	72	82	72	71	297
Coutts	73	75	103	73	324
Guthrie	85	74	74	74	299
G. Kydd	98	86	94	94	372

Tuesday, March 16:

	1	2	3	4	Ttls.
Lawson	75	63	74	87	299
Sullivan	93	77	71	80	321
McCrory	81	78	78	87	324
Guthrie	74	65	60	81	280
McCarthy	83	77	81	91	332
G. Kydd	75	79	81	71	306

The game between the teams representing the Lawrence Gas and Electric Supply Company and the Overseers' Club, played on the Hillside House alleys, last Wednesday evening, resulted in a victory for the boys from Lawrence. The scores:

LAWRENCE TEAM

	1	2	3	Ttls.
Cole	84	82	75	241
Manning	77	74	74	225
Clement	76	91	95	262
Flathers	82	82	91	255
Morrissey	73	76	86	235

Totals, 392 405 418 1215

OVERSEERS' TEAM

	1	2	3	Ttls.
Bradford	79	86	80	245
Lawson	82	95	76	253
McCrory	69	82	70	221
McCarthy	82	84	81	247
Boutwell	78	72	75	225

Totals, 390 419 382 1191

K. of P. Lodge Instituted

The local lodge of the Knights of Pythias was instituted last night with a splendid list of members. The work of institutions was in charge of Grand Chancellor Geo. W. Penniman of Boston and the degree work was done in a finished manner by the degree team of Wm. B. Gale lodge, Lawrence.

David M. Bailey of this town has accepted a situation in a rubber factory in New York state, and left Andover at noon today to take up his duties Monday morning.

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Points Out That In This Way Business Disturbances May Be Avoided—Conditions Not Met by Dingley Act, Which Does Not Furnish Sufficient Revenue—President's Message to Congress Remarkably Brief

Washington, March 17.—President Taft's tariff message Tuesday afternoon left senate and house gasping—because of its brevity. As the first message of a new president to an extraordinary session of congress it was some 300 odd words long. President Roosevelt's first message to congress on Dec. 4, 1904, was of more than 17,000 words, and its reading took 2½ hours.

The text of President Taft's message was as follows:

"To the senate and house of representatives:

"I have convened the congress in this extra session in order to enable it to give immediate consideration to the revision of the Dingley tariff act. Conditions affecting production, manufacture and business generally have so changed in the last twelve years as to require a readjustment and revision of the import duties imposed by that act. More than this, the present tariff act, with the other sources of government revenue, does not furnish income enough to pay the authorized expenditures. By July 1 next, the excess of expenses over receipts for the current fiscal year will equal \$100,000,000.

"The successful party in the late election is pledged to a revision of the tariff. The country and the business community especially, expect it. The prospect of a change in the rates of import duties always causes a suspension or halt in business because of the uncertainty as to the changes to be made and their effect. It is, therefore, of the highest importance that the new bill should be agreed upon and passed with as much speed as possible consistent with its due and thorough consideration.

"For these reasons, I have deemed the present to be an extraordinary occasion, within the meaning of the constitution, justifying and requiring the calling of an extra session.

"In my inaugural address, I stated in a summary way the principles upon which, in my judgment, the revision of the tariff should proceed, and indicated at least one new source of revenue that might be properly resorted to in order to avoid a future deficit. It is not necessary for me to repeat what I then said.

"I venture to suggest that the vital business interests of the country require that the attention of the congress in this session be chiefly devoted to the consideration of the new tariff bill, and that the less time given to other subjects of legislation in this session, the better for the country."

BELATED VOTE OF THANKS

Extended to Donor of Sacred Codfish After Century and a Quarter

Boston, March 18.—John Rowe, ancient mariner and fisherman, who sailed from historic T wharf, has received the thanks of the house for the gift to the house of the sacred codfish 125 years ago. Rowe was honored yesterday by the passage of a resolution in the house.

The great codfish is of wood, nearly six feet in length, and it hangs in the auditorium before the eyes of those who frequent the public galleries during the house deliberations.

Just how Rowe, who has long been dead, is to be made happy by this testimonial from the house, was not made clear in the order.

CARNEGIE'S LITTLE JOKE

Built Million Dollar School Without People Knowing About It

Pittsburg, March 18.—Andrew Carnegie's sense of humor was made apparent when it was discovered that he had built a \$1,000,000 school here without the people of Pittsburg knowing anything about it, and that he is half-way through with another structure.

This was made public by the announcement that the Carnegie School of Applied Science was now ready and that it had cost \$1,000,000.

Harriman Going to Panama
New York, March 18.—E. H. Harriman's yacht Sultana is being fitted out here for a sea trip. It is understood that Harriman and party of friends will go to Panama for an inspection of work on the canal.

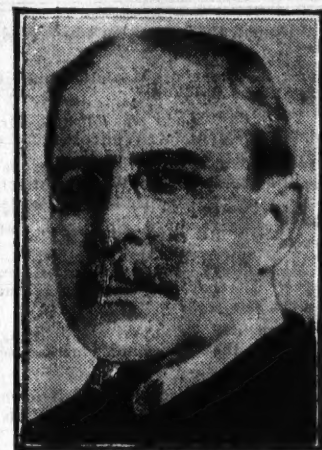
High School Secret Societies to Go
Buffalo, March 16.—Superintendent of Education Emerson has decided to take action looking to the permanent abolition of high school secret societies in this city.

Gold in Ohio Gravel
Massillon, O., March 16.—Gravel, which assayists say contains \$40 worth of gold in every ton, has been found on a farm at Beach Grove.

NEW KEYSTONE SENATOR

George T. Oliver of Pittsburgh Elected Today to Succeed Knox

Harrisburg, March 16.—In separate session today the two houses of the Pennsylvania legislature met and elected George T. Oliver, Republican, of Pittsburgh, to serve in the United States senate the unexpired term of Philander C. Knox, who left the senate to become secretary of state.



GEORGE T. OLIVER.

Tomorrow the two houses will meet and declare the result of today's balloting. The Democratic vote today was cast for State Senator Grim.

Mr. Oliver has planned to be sworn in on Thursday. He is a newspaper publisher and manufacturer of iron and steel. He was born in Ireland. Oliver began his career as a lawyer, but dropped his practice in 1881 to enter manufacturing. He has never held public office.

"LIAR" CALLS FOR FIGHT IN GEORGIA

State Court of Appeals Decision
to That Effect

Atlanta, March 17.—To call a man a liar in Georgia is a breach of the peace, and means a fight, according to the state court of appeals. The lower court, which refused damages to W. H. Rumsey, who sued W. A. Bullard for \$100 damages for breach of the peace for calling him a liar, is reversed, the opinion concluding: "Being to the manor born, the judges of this court take judicial cognizance of the fact that in Georgia to call a man a liar, even without threatening him with a weapon, most generally means a fight. There may be exceptions to this rule, but they are exotics and find little nourishment on Georgia soil and under southern skies."

BY SPECIAL INSPECTORS

Watch Will Be Kept on Slaughter Houses in the Bay State

Boston, March 16.—Governor Draper took further action in regard to the alleged sale within this state of beef infected with tuberculosis or other diseases when he requested the state board of health to employ special inspectors to "follow up" the local slaughtering establishments and to see that the local inspection is fully equal to that required by the United States government.

In reply to previous questions asked by the governor, the state board of health had intimated that the inspection of meat conducted under local boards of health is inadequate because of the lack of inspectors trained especially for the service.

UPRISING OF CUBANS

Not Yet Formidable, but May Be Part of Widespread Conspiracy

Havana, March 17.—The first armed uprising against the new Cuban republic occurred within a little more than six weeks after the inauguration of General Gomez as president. How serious the movement is it is impossible to determine at present, all that is known being that a sergeant of the rural guards stationed at the town of Vuelitas, with a party of seven men, some other members of the rural guard and a number of peasants took to the woods and that the troops are in active pursuit.

While the movement apparently is unimportant numerically, all indications point to the fact that it is part of a widespread conspiracy.

Boy to Be Electrocuted
Norfolk, March 16.—The last hope for Benjamin Gilbert, 18 years old, convicted of the murder of Miss Amanda Moss, who jilted him, passed when the supreme court of Virginia denied a writ of error. Governor Swanson declines to interfere further and Gilbert must die in the electric chair Friday next.

World Pleads Not Guilty
New York, March 16.—The Press Publishing company, publishers of the New York World, pleaded not guilty in the federal court to the charge of criminal libel in the Panama canal case.

Steel Company Cuts Wages
Johnstown, Pa., March 17.—The Cambria Steel company, which, when in full activity, employs 18,000 men, announces a 10 percent reduction in wages, to take effect April 1.

BLOODSHED BEGUN IN CUBA

Alleged instigator of Uprising
Killed by Rural Guard

WILL BE BITTERLY RESENTED

Government Claims That Insurgent Band Numbers but Eight Men, but Persons Acquainted With Leader Say That He Probably Has a Strong Party, Capable of Making Desperate Resistance to Government

Havana, March 18.—The indications are that the government is now in a fair way to crush promptly the incipient revolution which broke out in the province of Santa Clara Monday night.

The insurgents are now completely surrounded by a cordon of upwards of 1000 rurales, but owing to the rugged character of the country it will be extremely difficult for the troops to come into close quarters with the insurgents.

While the government still insists that the band consists of only eight men, it is alleged that the movement is far-reaching.

It is declared on apparently responsible authority that Cortes, who is leading the insurgents, is accompanied by fully 100 men mounted and well armed.

The government is gratified at the arrest and subsequent killing of former Captain Lavastida of the rural guard, who is believed to have been the principal instigator of the uprising. Lavastida was arrested Tuesday night by Major Arteaga of the rural guard and was charged with conspiracy against the government. While on the way to Remedios, under escort, Lavastida attempted to escape, whereupon Colonel Esgueara, in command of the escort, shot and killed him. Heretofore this has been a common method in Cuba of dealing with inconvenient prisoners.

Lavastida was recently dismissed from the rural guard. He served with distinction in the Cuban war of independence and had many friends in Santa Clara province, by whom his summary death will doubtless be bitterly resented.

According to an official statement given out at the palace Lavastida started the conspiracy against the government to secure political favors by threats. It is alleged that Cortes was irritable because he did not receive a commission in the army, and Lavastida induced him to take the field by representations that by so doing he would alarm the government and create so great danger of another American intervention that his demands would be instantly granted.

The government claims to have been informed of the conspiracy several weeks ago and President Gomez then fully determined not to temporize with the revolutionists, but to embrace the opportunity to make a striking example of the leaders. For this purpose he directed a great concentration of troops in the vicinity of Vuelitas to make short work of the affair.

Persons in Havana well acquainted with Cortes represent him as an experienced bush fighter, probably accompanied by a strong party capable of making desperate resistance to the government troops.

THEIR BUSINESS WANING

Coal Men Conclude That They Must Do Something to Brace It Up

Boston, March 18.—A two days' convention of the Retail Coal Dealers' association of New England, during which addresses have been delivered by prominent men in the trade from various parts of the east, closed last night with the election of officers for the coming year.

The general result of the conference has been the deduction that the consumption of coal has decreased in New England during the past few years and that a campaign of publicity and advertising must be taken up to retain business.

A LACK OF MONEY

Many Porto Rican Public Institutions Are Forced to Close

San Juan, P. R., March 18.—The failure of the house of delegates to pass the deficiency appropriation bill has resulted in the closing of a number of night schools, the insular library, and other public institutions.

The federal court is without funds to pay jurors and the expenses of witnesses, and the lack of money will necessitate a reduction in the police force and the closing of the day schools several weeks earlier than is customary.

Capital Punishment Stands

Boston, March 17.—A bill providing that a jury might qualify a verdict of murder in the first degree by adding to it the words "without capital punishment," which had been reported to the house by the committee on judiciary, was rejected by a vote of 54 to 146.

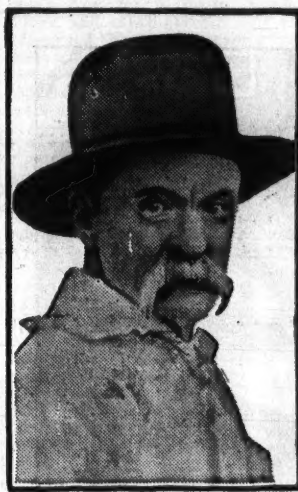
A Ten Percent Reduction

Lebanon, Pa., March 17.—A general cut of 10 percent in wages in all departments of the Pennsylvania Steel company's plant at North Lebanon is announced for April 1.

ON SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY

Weston Starts on His Tramp From New York to San Francisco

New York, March 15.—From New York to San Francisco on foot is the long tramp planned by Edward Payson Weston, the world's most famous walker, who began his journey today at the New York postoffice.



EDWARD P. WESTON.

Today is Mr. Weston's 70th birthday. His age is probably the most astonishing feature of his venture, since the walk from New York to the Pacific coast in the time in which Weston promises to do it is one to tax severely the powers of a man half his age. He expects to cover the route, more than 4000 miles long, in 100 days, excluding Sundays. It is a matter of principle with Weston never to walk on Sunday. He devotes the day to rest and to delivering temperance lectures. The expenses of his trip are paid from the proceeds of the lectures.

LETTER CARRIERS JOIN PARIS STRIKERS

French Government Determined
to Fight to a Finish

Paris, March 18.—The letter carriers have joined the striking telegraphers, telephone operators and mail clerks employed by the postoffice department. They voted by a large majority to begin a strike today after the first delivery. Eight hundred postmen, employed in the delivery of newspapers and parcels, went out after the last distribution last night.

The strike movement has gained greatly, Paris being practically isolated from the rest of France and France from the outside world. Eight thousand strikers last night adopted a resolution to maintain the struggle to the bitter end.

Premier Clemenceau declares that the government is ready for a fight and will not recede in its determination to force the strikers to the wall. Troops are held in readiness at Versailles to reinforce the Paris troops in case any demonstrations of a serious nature occur.

KILLS WIFE AND SELF

Row Over Household Goods Leads to Double Crime

Bucksport, Me., March 16.—After killing his wife by cutting her throat with a razor, Raymond Heath committed suicide in his home by cutting his own throat with the same instrument.

Heath was under \$600 bonds to keep the peace, having threatened to kill his wife because of a quarrel over household goods.

A month ago Mrs. Heath, who was 70 years old, applied for a divorce, her husband having left her during a quarrel in January.

Heath was a seaman and had been married and divorced before he married the woman he killed.

STAKED ALL ON DOWIE

Follower of "Apostle" Who Invested in Zion City Kills Himself

New York, March 18.—Despondent because he had lost all his life savings in investments in Zion City (Ill.) industries, the city started by the late John A. Dowie, Ludwig Augustus, 71 years old, committed suicide by hanging in his room on Second avenue.

Augustus became a follower of Dowie when the self-styled apostle of Zion visited here and held his famous meetings several years ago. The suicide invested about \$3000 in the lace industry and bank stock in Zion City and was unable to get any return on his money after Zion went into the hands of a receiver.

Bryan and the Senators
Chicago, March 16.—William J. Bryan, in an interview here, left the impression that he would be a receptive if not an active candidate for the United States senate from Nebraska in 1911 to succeed Elmer J. Burkett, Republican.

Killed With Own Rifle

Newport, R. I., March 17.—The accidental discharge of his rifle while climbing a fence caused the death here of Frank Pinto, an Italian barber. The contents of the rifle tore off the top of Pinto's head. He was 32 years old.

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MR. BURNS IN DEFENSE

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it is reasonable to believe that at this early stage of its development the deterioration is not so conclusive as the gentleman states, as shown by some statistics which he possesses, covering a period of over a third of a century. However, my historian may be mistaken and if the gentleman will give us some further facts and figures we shall be glad to be corrected.

Quoting again from the gentleman, "Education has long since been abandoned, as that word means the drawing out of whatever exists in the child mind, and in its place has come a system of cramming and forcing which has destroyed child-hood, health, persistence, drill, initiative thoroughness and uniformity. The Kindergarten idea is to make learning amusing and effortless. Here the child so plays at learning that both learning and playing are destroyed."

Let me rebut the above by defining my term experts, whose conclusions on education including Kindergarten is just the opposite from the gentleman's. My idea of an expert is a man whose opinion is worth the most on a given subject. One who has devoted time effectually (a life time if you will) to special research and investigation on the subject so that he is peculiarly fitted from the very atmosphere that surrounds him to know the Alpha and Omega of his subject. Such a man was Froebel the father of the Kindergarten, the originator of the modern tendency, one whose book, the Education of Man, is the ground work of courses in the educational department of Harvard and Radcliffe, namely, the Philosophy of Education. One whose theory of educating children by the Kindergarten has been given a legal foot hold in every state in the Union save eleven; in Cuba, in the Philippines, in Porto Rico and among the Indians. The mention of the eleven states who have not taken the progressive method will be sufficient without further argument. They are Delaware, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, and North Dakota.

What is Froebel's idea that has come to us from Germany, the land of the greatest scholars?

He was aware that the old system with its three R's, a relic of the past, tended to burden the memory of the child and so check or retard the operation of true development. He realized that this result was produced by requiring the pupil to commit to memory many subjects so abstruse and logical that they became a source of hinderance in the progress of the child's development.

The more he reflected upon the condition of things the more earnest he became in the desire to establish a system of discipline more appropriate to the child's capacity and one to which the child would the more naturally turn and therefore the more easily incline; a system which would not mar the harmony of the child's nature by pressing upon his attention and memory the burden of daily routine too hard to be successfully and profitably comprehended at a certain stage of the child's development. He believed that the true idea is to give the child something to do within the possible sphere of his affection and fancy by reaching first his sensations through muscular contact realizing that in the child experience precedes knowledge just as the intellect is secondary to sensation. That is why Froebel wanted to educate the mind by the activities of the senses and the muscles chiefly by the hand. This idea is practically illustrated by the adoption of the Kindergarten into so many state institutions for defective children, those who are afflicted with blindness and deafness and feeble minds. The practical knowledge of things comes to these poor unfortunates through the hand, their finger tips seeming as it were to be a part of their slumbering intellect.

As another practical illustration of the Froebelian theory of education we have the elective system as introduced by President Eliot of Harvard, a system which almost all other colleges are following in a lesser degree.

There is in the catalogue of Harvard a great field of subjects suited to the capacity of individuals of different makeup desiring different ends in life. The man entering the college chooses the subjects that are in line with his goal his objective point, doctor, lawyer, business man, etc. The old system was, you must take this, you must take that whether you want it or not. Hammer it in.

It is the opinion of the educators of to-day that the Kindergarten is the connecting link between the day nursery and the primary school, that it is the gospel of salvation for the children, that it is the proper beginning of a child's education in the public schools.

There is a passage I herewith quote which I believe beautifully illustrates what Kindergarten is. "It is a garden in which the little slip of humanity just taking root in life finds congenial soil, climate and surroundings, finds also provision made for the full development of its nascent activities and all its growing faculties. It is indeed a delightful place where many little children of about the same age meet and become acquainted with one another, and thus form social relations which tend greatly to instill into the little one's mind the principles of cleanliness, kindness, sociability, impartiality, politeness, obedience and love."

Returning again to the gentleman's language there are one or two examples to which he specifically refers as illustrations of the utter waste of time caused by Kindergarten. "The babe at the mother's knee who outstripped the father of the Kindergarten, the originator of the modern tendency, one whose book, the Education of Man, is the ground work of courses in the educational department of Harvard and Radcliffe, namely, the Philosophy of Education. One whose theory of educating children by the Kindergarten has been given a legal foot hold in every state in the Union save eleven; in Cuba, in the Philippines, in Porto Rico and among the Indians. The mention of the eleven states who have not taken the progressive method will be sufficient without further argument. They are Delaware, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, and North Dakota."

President Eliot's idea of the modern system of education is to turn out the young men and women who will be the means of happiness not only to themselves but to those with whom they come in contact, to make the boy and girl more effective and useful in the sphere in which he or she happens to be, in the home, at work, in the state. If the almighty dollar comes as a result of man's ability, effectiveness etc., it is only secondary and a natural consequence. It seems that from our most recent history the men schooled in the three R's the product of the old system have made their aim the almighty dollar, but it is consoling to know that in the hour of repentance as their years are slowly coming to an end they are giving it to our colleges with their new theories and system.

In conclusion, I regret I cannot take more time and space to cooking and sewing, but if I may be permitted in some later issue I should like to write something on these subjects. The conclusions that are to be drawn are these. First, Kindergarten is neither a fad nor a frill. Second, The authorities show it is a proper beginning of a child's education. The only real objection to it I believe is the small expense connected with it and the advantages to the children far outweigh the expense.

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WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court, for probate, by Adelaide Brewster Taylor Merrill, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Newburyport, in said County of Essex, on the twenty-second day of March, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the ANDOVER TOWNSMAN, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of February, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Emilie A. Bursley, late of Andover, in said County, (wife of George L. Bursley, deceased) deceased.

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You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the fifth day of April, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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THE TOWN
BY
A COUNTRYMAN AT HOME

Welcome to Correspondents

The school question is moving very rapidly, and the town is to be congratulated that her citizens are alive to the importance of this problem. We welcome this week two correspondents who represent most effectively two different types of citizen; one the theoretical college graduate, and the other the practical man, for many years a millworker. We can assure our good young friend who has advanced from the stage of the kindergarten speaker to a kindergarten writer, that the Townsman will always endeavor to treat with more fairness than it is treated, every person who does business with it, either as correspondent, or a patron. We will give seven for six in every case.

So far as the gentleman himself is concerned, he is most welcome as a contributor to the Townsman. We sincerely hope that our readers will spend the time to read his entire communication, and we feel sure that they will enjoy the clearly set forth characteristics of the writer fully as much as they will the light that is shed upon the question discussed.

Some writer pretty soon, discussing this problem, ought to explain why it was found necessary for such a strenuous drumming up of kindergarten pupils just before the town meeting, in order that there might be a show made of attendance, for fear the criticism of the kindergartens would lead to their abolishment. Such a discussion would be timely for the defenders of the popularity of this institution to now take up. We shall also hope at a later date to have some information bearing upon the results of the present strenuous efforts to bolster up the case in favor of the cooking schools, which are now being worked out in certain quarters. In fact the entire question of the Andover School System becomes more interesting, rather than less, the more it is discussed.

We shall be obliged to ask correspondents to be as brief as possible in their writing as our columns are not elastic and many interests must be served in the "Weekly Forum."

In connection with the school question, it is interesting to note that the Andover Civic League is to hold an open meeting next Monday for the "free and frank" discussion of the school problem. We don't know who the gentlemen are who make up the Andover Civic League, as it is an institution that we can't find a record of, but it is a very safe wager that the meeting is a well-planned scheme on the part of somebody to "save the pieces" of what is rapidly being discovered to be a very weak case in connection with some of the nonsense in the present day educational system. However, those who do not attend may be sure of a full report of the meeting in the following issue of the Townsman. By the way, has there been any impression abroad that the town meeting discussion lacked anything of the "free and frank" qualities?

Editorial Cinders

We shall publish next week an article on the moth pests viewed from their present stages of activity and destruction. It is the first of a series of articles that will be published in the Townsman dealing with this very live problem. If any of our readers have any information upon the subject, that will be of interest to their neighbors, they are invited to send such information, written as briefly as possible for insertion in this column. The trees of New England, (and Andover is the most beautiful of all New England), unless there is continued agitation and awakened interest among all the people, are to become a memory. It is costing a lot of money, time and trouble, let us all contribute to make the burden as light as possible upon the different parties who are the responsible parties in the moth warfare.

It is reported that there is some doubt about the construction of a new crossing at the Railroad Station, because the old one doesn't seem as muddy as some people had expected it to be. We hope this isn't so. The crossing that is there at the present time is in a measure satisfactory to those people who travel from the centre of the town and approach the Railroad from Essex street, but it is of no value whatever to the great many who use the Railroad Station and approach it from School street. One good, permanent concrete crossing such as we used to have there, from the centre door of the Station directly across to the sidewalk would accommodate all people, and is what should be built, and we sincerely hope that the Superintendent of Streets will not fail to make this improvement.

The Guild is active, alert, and aggressive and the story of its continued success is most gratifying. Here is the place for the very things which many are criticising when they are incorporated in the public school system. Many girls need to know more of cooking or sewing, etc.? Sure, and let such an institution as the Guild be the force to arrange for a united interest in which both parties shall be partners. Such calls do not thrive wisely on paternalistic treatment, but rather demand fraternalistic treatment.

THE STATE
BY
A COUNTRYMAN ABROAD

The Boston Charter

One of the Boston newspapers has had considerable comment, supposed to be facetious or otherwise, upon the attitude of residents outside of Boston with regard to the proposed new charter for the capital city of the State. The point of this comment has been almost entirely along the line of suggesting that citizens of other communities were not interested, and their comments were not timely because they were not citizens of Boston. In a measure, this criticism of the attitude of many prominent men outside of Boston might have some force if applied to any other city, but Boston will never belong to Bostonians, the way Andover, for instance, belongs to Andoverians. Boston is the great commercial centre of the State, it is the hub of the Commonwealth, from which run the spokes of education, commerce, literature, art, and science, all leading to the rim of the wheel marked "government". It is the city of which every loyal Bay Stater may say, "my city". It is the city in which the laws for the Commonwealth are framed, from which the execution of those laws are directed, and towards which the eyes of the entire Commonwealth are directed for many of the advantages that are sought by smaller communities from the larger. It is most fitting that in the government of that city, men in all walks of life, and in all parts of the Commonwealth should be interested.

They have a right to discuss this charter, and it is good that those who are to pass upon it reach from the Berkshire Hills to the Cape Cod sands. The charter represents long and patient consideration of a difficult problem by some of the most distinguished citizens of Boston. As a commission, these gentlemen have performed a great service to not only Boston, but the Commonwealth, and their recommendations are worthy of the fullest and most careful consideration. There will be many who will not approve of all the recommendations made; there will be some who will approve of none. It is to be regretted that the proposition goes with the charter recommendation that there should be no referendum attached to whatever measure may be passed by the Legislature. Such a suggestion at once carries with it a distrust of the people of Boston that bodes ill to any government in that city, if the distrust is well founded. If Boston wishes to be trusted with her own government, she must stop the constant agitation within her own borders about the unfitness of her own citizenship. Just so long as the impression is spread abroad that certain Bostonians have no faith in certain other Bostonians, just so long will Boston be compelled to submit to government and control directed more and more from the State House by men who are not citizens of the city. The most serious obstacle that the proponents of the new Boston Charter have to contend with is the sentiment that they themselves have created, which will lead so many suburban legislators to doubt if Boston actually contains sufficient ability and integrity to govern herself. The whole point to be kept in mind in framing a new scheme of government for any community should be written in letters of gold "trust the people".

Speaker Cannon and the Rules

There are many people who are not pleased because Speaker Cannon has been re-elected, and because the rules for which he and his closest allies fought have been modified but little. We believe that there are many more who will be pleased that he has been elected, and that there has been slight change in the rules governing this large body of legislators.

We don't believe that it is possible for the House of Representatives in Washington to be controlled in any effective way, save by the arbitrary and almost automatic methods in force since Thomas B. Reed first became Speaker of the House. The National Congress cannot be conducted like an Andover Town Meeting. Somebody must be trusted with the work of cutting out the superfluous, of restraining the garrulous, and controlling the impotent and officious, and when the sum of all is worked out, there will be found as the result of the present system some very effective work on the part of the national congress in the last twenty years.

Slightly Infected

It must be acknowledged that the Beef Problem as agitated by the Boston Post is not inclined to subside as readily as some people high in authority would wish. As we sit on the doorstep of our cow barn and view the world at large, it would seem to one who is only an average farmer that if a cow isn't fit to give milk, her flesh isn't fit to be prepared for food. Unless all signs fail, the most satisfactory way out for those who have made some mistakes in passing upon this problem up to the present time, would be for them to acknowledge their errors, and get busy along the line of enforcing the law, whatever that law may be. If the law is a part of the public statutes, for whose enforcement the present officials are responsible, it is high time it should be a live "part, and not a 'slightly infected one'".

Obituary

AARON CUMMINGS

Aaron Cummings passed away at his home on Phillips street, early Thursday morning, March 11.

He was born in Albany, Me., Sept. 11, 1819. When eighteen he walked from home to North Andover to work for his uncle, Isaac Stevens. Later he entered Phillips Academy, working his way, and graduating in 1846. He taught school several winters; and for many years worked for the trustees of the Academy.

Honest and upright, he did all his work faithfully and with care, as in the sight of his Maker. He joined the South church late in life, being distrustful of himself, but when he saw it a duty, he came forward.

He leaves a wife, one son, Rev. Arthur G. Cummings of Middleboro, and two daughters.

The funeral was conducted at his late residence, Saturday afternoon, by Rev. Frank R. Shipman. Miss Mabel Carter sang "Asleep in Jesus" and "Servant of God, well done." The bearers were Deacons Jonathan E. Holt and F. H. Foster, and W. H. Hackett and Edward S. Ricker. Burial was in the family lot in Spring Grove.

EDWARD TRASK STRONG

The sudden death of Rear Admiral Edward T. Strong occurred at his home on Salem street early Thursday morning. In his customary health as late as the evening of March 17, heart disease came suddenly at about midnight.

Rear Admiral Strong was born in Ipswich, February 10, 1840, but removed with his parents to North Andover at an early age. He attended the public schools, the Pynchard High school and Phillips Andover Academy. When a young man he went to sea in a merchant ship with his uncle and had followed the sea ever afterwards up to the time of his retirement. At the outbreak of the Civil War he entered the navy as a volunteer and served on ships engaged in blockade duty during the war. At the close of the war he entered the regular navy and was rapidly promoted. He made a tour around the world during President Grant's administration. During the Spanish War he was stationed at the Portsmouth navy yard and when he retired he was captain of the Monadnock which was at Manila. He was for some time in charge of the famous old "Saratoga" as a school ship.

His home life had been a most happy one. He married Miss Anna Hewey of Andover and three daughters and the widow survive him. The children are Mr. Chas. N. Gilbert of Albany, N. Y., Misses Bertha and Anna of Andover. About two years ago Admiral Strong and his family returned to Andover and purchasing the old Towne homestead on Salem street, remodelled it as a most attractive home, and it is a sad circumstance that takes him away at a time when old age seemed to promise so much of the pleasure of a shore home.

The funeral services will be held at the late home on Saturday at 2 o'clock p.m., and will be conducted by Prof. Ryder, with interment at Ridgwood cemetery, North Andover.

GEORGE BUCHAN

George Buchan, a well known resident of Andover for nearly half a century, passed away at his home on Lincoln street, West Andover, Tuesday, at the age of 73 years.

The deceased, who had been in poor health of late was born in Frieckheim, Scotland in 1835, and came to this country, and made his home in Andover when a young man. For more than thirty years he was in the hawking department of the Smith & Dove Manufacturing company and was one of the old guard of intelligent and well read Scotchmen who at one time were numerous among the hawkers.

He was a member of Post 99, G. A. R., having answered the call of Lincoln for troops in the Civil War. He married Elizabeth P. Lawson of this town in 1859 and whose death occurred in 1887. He is survived by five sons, George, John, Charles, Raymond and Donald, and five daughters, Misses Ada A., Annie L., and Gertrude and Mrs. Clarence Seymour of Danvers, Mrs. John Ritchie of Haverhill, Mrs. John C. Smith of Lawrence. He also leaves two sisters.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon from the late home and were conducted by Rev. F. A. Wilson of the Free church. The casket was draped with "old glory" and the floral tributes were exceedingly beautiful. A large gathering of friends paid their last respects to the deceased. The services were simple and touching. Burial was in the family lot in the West Cemetery, the bearers being five comrades of the Post, J. Warren Berry, George W. Chandler, E. Kendall Jenkins, Ballard Holt and James Saunders.

Open Meeting on the School Question

Next Monday evening the lower town hall will open for a free and frank discussion of the proper studies for Andover schools. The meeting has been arranged by the Andover Civic League. They have invited Mr. William D. Parkinson, superintendent of schools in Waltham, to express his views; but, beyond this, nobody has been asked to speak, and everybody will be welcome to speak who can get the floor.

The meeting will begin at 7.45, in the lower town hall. Men and women are invited, but the attendance of children under fourteen is not encouraged.

In Memory of Miss Jennette M. Smith

"He giveth His beloved sleep."

These words seem peculiarly appropriate to Miss Jennette M. Smith as we think of her peaceful entrance into heavenly rest. Death came to her while quietly sleeping in the early morning of March twelfth after ten days of increasing weakness from an attack of "La Grippe".

For many years her health had been too feeble to allow her to mingle freely in life outside of her home, and her gentle, retiring nature shrank from close contact with the rushing activities of the outside world; but she found keen enjoyment in quiet ministries, in the duties and companionship of home and in her love of literature, music and flowers. Her interest in life and her buoyant spirits kept her heart young and she realized that she had passed her seventy-eighth milestone.

She was born in Hamilton, Scotland, and came to Andover when an infant in 1833 with her parents, James and Margaret Smith. Her father was one of the trio of Smith brothers who with John Dove started the flax industry in town and was a leading spirit in forming the Free church in 1846.

Miss Smith herself sang in the choir at the organization service of the church and for several years assisted in its music. For fifty-two years she was connected with its membership and ever had a warm interest in its welfare. She lived to see it transplanted into its new home, but her heart turned most fondly to the memories and associations of its early days.

Her life was lengthened and cheered by annual visits of several months in the home of her only niece, Mrs. Margaret Ross McRea of Saratoga, New York.

She leaves one sister, Miss Agnes F. Smith with whom she has lived in inseparable companionship and who has the deep sympathy of a wide circle of friends.

The funeral service was held at the family homestead on Haverhill street at two o'clock, Monday afternoon, and was conducted by her pastor, Rev. F. A. Wilson.

To comforting words of Scripture and the sympathetic uplift of prayer were added stanzas from the triumphant hymns, "Ten thousand times ten thousand, in sparkling raiment white," "For all the saints, who from their labors rest," and Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar" read at the request of friends.

A brief committal service at the grave in the family lot in the West cemetery closed the last chapter in a beautiful and long to be remembered life.

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ATTACKED AND DEFENDED

A Collegian and a Workingman Make Interesting Contributions to the School Discussion.

Andover, Mar. 15, 1909

To the Editor of the Townsman:—
In a communication in the Townsman of Mar. 12, Mr. Addison B. LeBoutillier invites discussion of the school question in our local paper. I accept the invitation. I hope he will pardon me if I am somewhat severe in my criticism of his article.

He says, "I believe that the town of Andover took a backward step when it failed to sustain the School Committee in its effort to give our boys and girls the most valuable foundation upon which to build the characters and minds which will be required of the future citizens of Andover if she is to retain the high position that has been hers in the past." I am somewhat in doubt what he means by "The high position that has been hers in the past." But I suppose he has reference to the subject in discussion, our schools. If Andover has attained a "high position" for efficiency in our public schools in the past, it must have been achieved under a lower school appropriation and a lower tax rate. It must have been accomplished before the kindergarten, fads and frills period. It must have occurred when the appropriation was \$25,000 or less. I fail to see any step backward by wishing to maintain the "high position" already gained. A manufacturer who has gained a reputation for quality in his products is wise to retain it. He does not retain it by experimenting with inferior material in his products, nor does he retain it by tagging on it superfluities at an increased cost to the consumer. If Andover has got a reputation let us maintain it, but how?

He tells us that "Abraham Lincoln is a glorious example of what a boy can accomplish on a schooling of the 'three R's' type; but such boys are the exception, not the rule." The writer must admit that great men are the exception and not the rule under any system of education, and that education, so called, is but a small factor in the production of our really great men, as the thousands and thousands of inferior men who are educated, so called, is a living proof.

The writer compares the handicap between the "college-bred" men and the "poor boy who has got to leave school, as most boys do, before entering high school," and the advantage of "college fellowship." This is a sentimental aspect of the situation which has but little value as an argument. It is natural that the college bred man and the poor boy from the grammar school travel different roads. But when you compare the success of those men as a whole the poor grammar school boy loses very little by comparison. Take the town of Andover or any other town or city and make a census of the two classes in regard to their success in life, either from a financial or moral view point and I think the comparison is not damaging to the grammar school boy. At our last town meeting there was a glowing example of the ability of a man who had not the benefit of a high school education coping with men who were "college bred." He lost nothing in the comparison. And no doubt there were not a few in the audience, who had but a grammar school education, who could discuss the question at issue with equal force and intelligence as the "college bred" men.

The writer in the last week's Townsman also says: "In spite of the vote of the town meeting, I believe Andover does not wish to withhold from any boy the suggestion (for that is all it can be) of the treasure in store for him in the field of art, literature, music, and languages, and the pleasure and help to be derived from the study of nature, botany, geology, astronomy, and the like." If the study of the above named sciences in our public schools amounts to only a "suggestion" there can be but little loss felt if they are discontinued. But under the "three R's" type of education, knowledge, or the "suggestion" of knowledge, may be learned under the reading lessons, and perhaps in a more interesting manner than they are now taught. Reading is the means in which most of our knowledge is acquired, and as 95 per cent of the boys and girls leave school between 14 and 16 there can be but a superficial knowledge of these sciences as taught in our public schools. The fact that 95 per cent leave school at this age is the strongest argument that their school life should be confined to the essentials and not to the embellishments of education. These boys and girls are, most of them, destined to the commercial and industrial walks of life, they should go forth equipped with the knowledge which is the most worth for their chosen vocations, the pursuit of happiness, and the becoming good and intelligent citizens. Educators, no doubt, would not agree on what the essentials are for our youths leaving school at the age of 15.

He believes "that Andover wishes her boys to learn through manual training that the happiness to be derived from skilled manual labor is something that wealth cannot buy." If our boys are taught manual training we have to "buy" it, the rich can "buy" it also, but they do not need it. Manual training in our public schools seems to me to be about as useless as Latin and Greek. Skilled manual labor of today has a different significance than it had 50 years or more ago. The invention of labor-saving machinery is continually displacing skilled manual labor, until to-day the laborer is a mere tender of a machine, or the constructor of machine made products and which requires, comparatively, very little

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Andover, March 15, 1909

Editor of the Townsman:

I wish to accept your invitation to take part in the discussion of Andover's "Vital Problem," the school question.

I also wish to congratulate Messrs. Shipman, Stone and LeBoutillier and others for their stand on the so called fads and frills with due respect to the opinions of Messrs. Cole, Williams, Cann and Poor and many others who represent the opposite view.

It is hoped, however, that the gentlemen who may try in the future to present the arguments in favor of the fads and frills will not be made the subject of an editorial as has been the fate, good fortune or otherwise of those whose have already endeavored to throw some light, be it ever so dim, on one side of the issue.

The purpose of this communication is to try to rebut, if I may be permitted, some of the arguments of the gentlemen who wrote the communication last week contra to kindergarten, cooking, and sewing. Also to endeavor to give some added information on a subject of so much importance as education.

If any of the gentlemen's language is misinterpreted, or if I put language in his mouth that he never used nor intended to use, I beg his pardon.

At the outset of his communication, he states, "That when we meet to discuss a pie, we do not take the testimony of the cook, or the stove maker, or the grocer who sold the ingredients, we simply eat the pie." In other words, the important thing to consider is the object, the combined results. The subjective side is not taken into consideration, or, putting it in another way, the elements that go to make up the pie are of slight or no importance. That is, there is no connecting link between cause and effect, or if there is any, according to the gentleman's conclusion, the effect is of more importance and takes precedence over the cause. It is evident that in the steady gaze at the objective point the vision about the subjective point is obscured. It seems that the sight should first be directed at the subjective side gradually coalescing into the objective side, because in eating the pie it is reasonable to suppose that the effect on the digestive organ will be commensurate and in proportion to the temperature of the heat in the oven furnished by the stove maker, the genius of the cook in selecting the proper spices etc., the quality of the ingredients supplied by the grocer. In other words, the object is dependent on and is inevitably the result of the combination of subjective elements that go to make it up.

But what is the application of this pie incident to the "Vital Problem?" The analogy is clear. The subjective elements are kindergarten, music, cooking, drawing, reading, writing and sewing, in a word, education. The objective is the result of these, a combination of elements composed of character, usefulness, ability, effectiveness, morality, etc., in a word the "Makeup" of the boy or girl.

What is the issue? The opponents of fads and frills assert that kindergarten, cooking, and sewing as a part of our school system should not be a part of the combination that goes to make up our average boy or girl. Or, if they do not assert it, their tendency is to cut out the so called fads. Those in favor of the kindergarten etc. take just the opposite stand and assert that these subjects should be part of the public school curriculum.

Who is right? Which faction is correct? Each of us must answer for himself. In my solution of this question and my reason therefor, much help is given me in the gentleman's communication of last week, so it seems fitting to refer again to his language. He states "That to learn the value of the school work, we do not take the testimony of the school-board, the teacher, the cultured few." (Here it is necessary to define the term expert or its equivalent as used by the gentleman, and as used by the writer.) I take it from the gentleman's language quoting "We go to those who have and are taking hold of the graduates of the schools and endeavoring to fit them for the shop, for business, etc.," and he refers to Mr. Cole's estimate "the graduate has deteriorated" who has some of the output of our schools in his employ." His idea of an expert qualified to testify as to our youths education is the man who hires the product. The factory superintendent, the business man of many different callings, and other employers. These gentlemen have my profound respect but they are not my idea of an expert on educational matters. However, talented some of us may be in some lines, we have crude notions and uncertainties about fields which are foreign to us, and it is my belief that technically speaking the field of education is foreign to the average factory superintendent and business man or those who hire our school product in every day life. By this, I intend in no way to belittle any man in any calling. My idea of an expert in educational matters will be defined later.

But assume the gentleman is right that these men are the ones to go to in order to find out the value of school work, his conclusion, namely, that deterioration has been due to the Kindergarten idea of teaching can hardly be founded on facts because the latest history on the subject that has been found, published in 1908, states that Kindergarten did not get a foothold in the public schools till the decade 1890-1900. Consequently,

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FROM AN ANDOVER WINDOW

JOHN UNDERWOOD

Andover Schools

When I looked into my "Townsman" last week, I saw that controversy over the schools was still active. It happened that my next reading was a review of a bright English woman's book about American schools. "Now," thought I, "I shall learn something. Andover schools are American schools. I shall learn something about Andover schools from this intelligent foreigner." And I did.

An English Observer of American Schools

Miss Sara Burdall is headmistress of the Manchester High School for Girls, and one of the authorities on education in the tight little island. She spent last year in America. She found the ideas and aims of American education very different from those of her home land. She found that American children "study" a subject; she remembered that English children "learn lessons." She remembered that English teachers feel that there is a certain amount of knowledge which it is necessary for their pupils to acquire definitely. The pupils either know these things or they do not, and an examination proves which. But she perceived that American teachers, on the other hand, do not try so much to plant knowledge in their pupils' minds as to produce power and ease of thought. The aim is to get the schoolboy to observe, to reason for himself, to concentrate his mind. Six months after he has dropped a certain subject, he may not be able to pass a written examination upon it; but that, Miss Burdall noticed, does not worry the American educator. "It does not matter, he could get it up again if it were worth while." An Englishman, she knows, would say of the American system that it is "superficial." An American, she admits, would say of the English school-boy that he is "slow on the uptake."

Miss Burdall and the Andover Town Meeting

All this was very interesting to me. Leaving out of sight the money question, it threw light on the different speeches which I heard at our town meeting. It dawned on me that the opposing parties there have wanted two different things in education. That fact explains everything. The men who clamor for the three Rs really have the English ideal in their minds. Back of their desire for accurate spelling is the English ideal. Back of their insistence on arithmetic is the English ideal of "lessons" that can be "learned," and of knowledge that can be used. This ideal was clearly uttered by Mr. Cole and Judge Cann. The men who display a comparative disregard for accurate spelling, etc., are men possessed by the American ideal, that the school exists to develop the pupil's general powers—bodily, mental, artistic, moral. This ideal was not clearly set forth in the town meeting; but probably the different members of the school committee all spoke from that standpoint. It was set forth later in the letter of Mr. LeBoutillier in last week's "Townsman." He frankly and clearly advocated not so much "knowledge" in the schools as "development."

The English versus the American Theory

Of course the two theories—what I have called the English theory and what I have called the American theory—do not contradict each other entirely. To get knowledge, and to get it thoroughly and accurately, is a necessary part of "development." The American theory must have for part of its aim the building up of a certain body of knowledge in the pupil's mind. On the other hand, the English theory, that the pupil is to "learn lessons," takes it for granted that thereby he will gain also a certain development in power and patience.

Nevertheless, the two theories do separate gradually, and go different ways. The English theory will ever tend to cling to a few standard branches of knowledge which are to be thoroughly mastered. The American theory will ever tend to varied studies, in the hope of waking up the whole boy or girl.

And every town will contain people who gravitate by instinct to the one

or the other theory. The English theory is more easily understood. Besides, are not most of us descended from the practical English race? On the other hand, those of us who are of the English stock are, after all, not English but Americans. The American theory of education is being fashioned by the American instinctive desire. That instinctive desire is, not so much to create practical knowledge, as to achieve mental ability.

The American theory is very easily misapplied. It is very easy to run it into all sorts of fads. Probably it is just as well that, now and then, the English blood in us should get into our heads, and that an English-sounding voice should say to school committees, "Down brakes." In the end we shall trust and follow the school committees; for, after all, they represent honestly the striving and groping of American educators to find the Right Education for American children.

Andover Mothers' Club

The Andover Mothers' club met in the Kindergarten rooms of the Samuel Jackson school, Friday, March 12th.

After the business was transacted, Mrs. V. D. Harrington gave an interesting and instructive talk on physical training which contained many helpful ideas conducive to the health of the children. In closing the talk, Mrs. Harrington exemplified several physical culture exercises that the members could use to advantage in developing dormant muscles.

A piano selection by Miss Amanda Murphy and vocal solos by Miss Amanda Murphy and Mrs. Hiland Holt completed the program.

Tea and cake were served by Mrs. Platt, chairman, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Piddington, Mrs. Billington and Mrs. Hammond.

South Church News

On Wednesday evening, the members of the church met at the Baptist church for the union service.

Thursday afternoon a Home Missionary meeting of the Women's Union was held. The subject was "The American Jew."

On Saturday evenings for the rest of the month, the pastor will be in the church parlor from seven to eight to meet anyone desiring to talk on the Christian life.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank friends and neighbors for their assistance and kind expressions of sympathy given us in our recent trial and bereavement.

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Lecture at Abbot

Miss Annie Beecher Scoville, granddaughter of Henry Ward Beecher, will lecture in Abbot Hall at Abbot Academy on Saturday afternoon of this week, March 20th, at 2.30. The subject will be the Monk and the Scholar; How Saint Bernard and Abelard worked for the Church and Schools. Miss Scoville is one of the most delightful lecturers in style and personality. The price of entrance is, as usual, fifty cents.

Illustrated Lecture

Tuesday evening, March 23rd, at eight o'clock, Dr. Charles Peabody will deliver a lecture in the hall of the Archaeology Building on "Lake Dwellings and the Bronze and Iron Cultures." This lecture will be illustrated by numerous lantern slides made especially for the occasion. This subject is unusual and all those interested should not fail to be present. It is the last illustrated lecture in this season's course. Admission is free and the public is cordially invited.

The Rose and the Ring

An unusually large and very appreciative company gathered in Davis Hall last Tuesday evening to witness the performance by the senior class of Thackeray's "The Rose and the Ring." The play was acted with much spirit, and the amusing scenes in Pallaquonia's royal palace at the breakfast table and in the drawing room, were much enjoyed by the audience.

All the parts were well taken, but the entrance of the sentimental Angelica and the waddling Prince Bulbo were greeted with special applause.

Wheaton Seminary Club

It was a large gathering of members and friends of the New England Wheaton Seminary club which met last Saturday, the 13th, at the Vendome, Boston. After the business meeting, Miss Annie M. Kilham, a member and former president of the club, gave a delightful talk on her recent trip to Japan, illustrated by the stereopticon. All enjoyed the music by the Octavo Club of Cambridge. At the close the usual social hour and tea, when many were glad to welcome Miss May B. Briggs, an old teacher for many years at Wheaton Seminary, but now of Hampton Institute, Va. Miss Briggs will be remembered in Andover as a pupil in Abbot Academy in the early 50s. The annual meeting and breakfast of the club will be held the second Saturday in May.

Summer School of Agriculture

The summer school of agriculture established two years ago at Massachusetts Agricultural College in Amherst will be continued in 1909. In fact it is now regarded as a permanent institution, having proved decidedly popular and successful during the last two summers.

The attendance comes from all parts of New England, but most largely from Massachusetts, a surprisingly large proportion being from the cities. School teachers predominate, but a good many land and lot owners go for the sake of the short practical courses in agriculture and horticulture.

The school this year will run for six weeks in July and August, with courses in field crops, gardening, dairying, fruit growing, live stock, chemistry, plant life, bird life, insect life, etc., etc. Some of these courses are specially designed for grade teachers, some for high school teachers, others for practical people who do not teach, others for the clergy, so that everyone who has a week or more to spare can find something useful and interesting to do.

Lecture on Celtic Poetry

Every seat was taken in the Town Hall last Wednesday evening when the Rev. Michael Earls of Boston College delivered a lecture on "The Bardic and Ballad Poetry of Ireland." The speaker, who is a professor of oratory in Boston College, has an easy and graceful delivery and a very thorough knowledge of his subject. For over an hour and a half he spoke, and during this time he rarely consulted a note, though he quoted many lines of poetry and cited many dates.

The substance of the lecture was the history of the growth and development of poetry in Ireland; particularly ballad poetry. In developing his theme the speaker compared the poetry of Ireland with contemporary writing, and explained at length the particular conditions which influenced the writers of the different periods. Too the audience enjoyed a splendid analysis of the Celtic character as portrayed in national literature.

Interest in the lecture was heightened by the appearance of a quartette of boys from the Boston College High school who sang several numbers to illustrate the ballads discussed.

Letter to Marland Mills

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Dear Sirs: We can't get over talking about those two houses at Lufkin, Tex., owned by Judge I D Fairchild.

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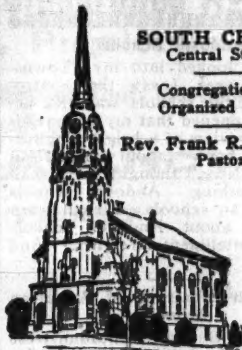
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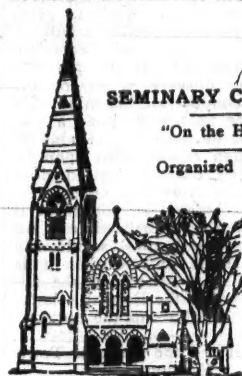
Services for Next Week

10.30 a.m. Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor. Also Sunday kindergarten.

Sunday School to follow.
7.30 p.m. Union service; address by Mr. Carl Hamilton, singing by Mr. Carl Pfau.

Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. Parish Social.
Wednesday, 7.45 p.m. Union Prayer meeting at the Free church.

Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Women's Union sewing meeting; 7.00, K. O. K. A. 7.45, choir practice; 7.45, Union Prayer meeting at the West church.



SEMINARY CHURCH

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Services for Next Week

Services under the auspices of Phillips Academy.
10.30 Morning Service, with sermon by the Rev. A. T. Stocking of Newtonville.

11.30 a.m. Sunday School in Bartlet Chapel.
5.15 p.m. Vesper service with address by Rev. A. T. Stocking.

Wednesday evening at 8. Prayer meeting in Bartlet Chapel.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

Essex Street

Roman Catholic Organized 1850

Rev. Fr. Riordan, Pastor



Services for Next Week

8.30 a.m. Mass and instruction, Sunday-school following.

10.30 a.m. High Mass and sermon.
3.30 p.m. Vespers.

First Sunday of each month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.
Second Sunday of each month, Communion day for the children.

Third Sunday of each month, Communion and Rosary Arch Confraternity.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Organized 1832

Rev. W. E. Lombard
Pastor



Services for Next Week

10.30 a.m. Morning service. Preaching by pastor.
Sunday school at 11.45 a.m.

6.30 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E. Consecration meeting.
7.30 p.m. Union service at the South church.

7.45 p.m. Tuesday, Lecture on the Life of Christ.
7.45 p.m. Wednesday evening, Union Prayer meeting at the Free church.

WEST CHURCH

West Parish

Congregational

Organized 1836

Rev. Dean A. Walker
Pastor



Services for Next Week

10.30 a.m. Morning worship, preaching by the pastor.
12.00 p.m. Sunday School in the vestry.

4.00 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E. Leader, A. J. Mayo.
7.00 p.m. Prayer meeting. Leader, Edward Boutwell.

7.45 p.m. Thursday, Union service.
2.30 p.m. Saturday, Juvenile Missionary Society at the Parsonage.

2.30 p.m. Saturday, West Center Club at the vestry.

FREE CHURCH, Congregational

Elm Street

Organized 1846

Rev. Frederic A. Wilson
Pastor



Services for Next Week

10.30 a.m. Worship, with sermon by the Pastor.
Sunday School to follow the morning service.

6.30 p.m. Meeting of the Y.P.S.C.E.
2.30 p.m. Union service at the South church. Address by Mr. Carl Hamilton.

Monday, 7.00 p.m., Knights of King Arthur.
Tuesday, 7.30 p.m., Young Ladies' Dorcas Circle.

Wednesday, 7.45 p.m. Union meeting in Free church.

CHRIST CHURCH

Central Street

Episcopal, Organized 1835

Rev. Frederic Palmer, Rector



Services for Next Week

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer, with sermon by the Rector.

12.00 p.m. Sunday-School.
7.30 p.m. Evening Prayer, with sermon by the Assistant Rector.

Monday, 7.30 p.m. Girls' Friendly Society.
Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. St. Margaret's Guild.

Wednesday, Junior Auxiliary, 3.45 p.m.
5.00 p.m. Children's Service; subject, "Play."

7.00 p.m. Knights of King Arthur.
Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Woman's Guild and Mission Study Class.

Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Evening Prayer with sermon by Rev. George L. Parke of Dorchester.

Friday, Monthly meeting of the Men's club at the Glebe House.
Saturday, 7.30 p.m. Stereopticon Lecture by Prof. Edward H. Williams, Jr. on The Bible in Bible Lands.

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MR. RHODES ON THE SCHOOLS

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skill. Even the building trades have been robbed of the necessity of skilled manual labor as it was understood 50 years ago.

Cooking and sewing to be used in the home, the home is the place to learn it. If one wishes to become a cook for wage, there are means for its accomplishment without the use of public money. It seems to me that it is the duty of the mother to teach her daughter the duties of a mother in all the household economy. Love for the daughter should make it a pleasure to instruct her in the duties of the coming wife and mother.

He says "We must do something to show them (our boys and girls) that success in life is not to be measured by dollars and cents." Our social organism, its environments, and its life, measures success in no other way but in dollars and cents, in spite of the sentiment which is arrayed against the fact. Exceptions occasionally appear.

He also says, "It was the narrowness that would limit public instruction to the three R's that is responsible for that national disgrace, the tariff on art, literature, and music." I should infer from this that it would be no disgrace if we placed a tariff on the necessities of life. But why should not the fine arts bear some of the burden of taxation as well as other products.

Mr. LeBoutillier has got another belief, a belief which does him no credit. I should advise him to forget it.

The citizens of Andover are not prejudiced, nor are they selfish, nor do they carry their brains in their pocket book. Andover is awakening to the fact that the whole country is expenditure mad, and she is wise to call a halt. This awakening seemed to be spontaneous at the last town meeting, but it was not. She only wanted a leader and she got it. If it is wisdom in private affairs to practice economy, why is it not so in public affairs. Individual enterprises seek to get for a dollar a dollar's worth, why should not public enterprises seek the same? I heard a learned gentleman say, a few years ago at a public meeting, that the cities and towns throughout the country did not get fifty cents worth for the dollar they spent. I think he was very near the truth. There is more wisdom and credit due a town for keeping its tax rate under the seventeen dollar mark than over.

It is my opinion that our schools, both from a financial and an educational standpoint, have got to that stage in their development which is called, in political economy, "diminishing returns." In consequence of the limitation of the receptive faculties of the child, and the limited ability to retain and apply the knowledge it receives, it must follow that there is a normal state in which effort and result reaches its greatest ability and balance. It also must follow that increased effort over the normal state, will result in "diminishing returns," and perhaps confusion and injury will result. Every added study to the curriculum must demand more effort as a whole or it is balanced by diminishing the effort and results in some other study. If this addition continues, it must follow that at the end of the school life of the child, he must have but a superficial knowledge of the whole curriculum. I think the time has come when the curriculum should be diminished in our public schools, that we have experimented in the addition of studies long enough, that we should experiment in improving the studies which are the most worth for the boys and girls that leave school at the age of 15 and not seek to prepare 100 per cent of the school children for a higher education when only 5 per cent of them seek it. It is time enough to prepare for a higher education in our high schools.

The kindergarten methods appeal favorably to me, but like all things that have merit, evil will creep in. Errors result from overestimating the importance of pet theories. "The Physicists overestimated land, mercantilists overestimated capital, Socialists overestimated labor," and educators overestimate their methods and their importance. I am not in favor of sending children to school under 5 years of age even to a kindergarten. The home and the mother care should be its first teacher. The fresh air and the green fields and lawns its playground. Bubbling and overflowing with life and energy, restraint, though but for a few hours a day, can not but fail to check those surplus forces which result in childish activities.

The tendency of public education is to make the state more and more and the home less and less. Individualism is retreating while paternalism and officialism is advancing. Individualism, the initiative force of all great achievements, the vigilant monarch of universal liberty, seems to be hypnotized by those forces which it created, trusts, labor-unions, and socialism. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," and the price of all well governed towns, cities, states, and nations. The administrative and legislative agencies of the state and nation have gone expenditure mad. But who will check this waste of the fruits of labor and strife? There can be but one answer, and that is aroused individualism such as was shown in our last town meeting.

The writer of this communication did not complete the grammar school, so this is submitted for what it is worth.

T. E. RHODES

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NORTH ANDOVER

The Charles Johnson place in the Kimball district, a beautiful old homestead, formerly owned by Fuller Brothers of Lawrence, has been sold to Superintendent F. M. Hill of the town farm.

The henry of Samuel Wood was again entered and robbed. This is the third occasion within a comparatively short time, such a report has been made, that Mr. Wood's premises have been robbed of hens and chickens.

Sunday evening in St. Paul's church William A. Spinney of Boston is to deliver his third lecture in a course. Subject, "Health through self-control in breathing. Diaphragmatic breathing. Rib breathing." The public is cordially invited to attend.

The announcement of Speaker Walker comes as a sort of surprise to the politicians hereabouts, as many understood that no special election would be held, as the session would be nearly ready to adjourn by the time the formalities could be properly attended to.

A May Party will be conducted by the North Andover Fife and Drum Corps on Friday evening, May 14, in Merrimack hall. Music will be furnished by the Bay State orchestra. Committee of arrangements, William F. Whitaker, Walter Flüg, James Hargraves.

Owing to the death of Mrs. Melvin Christopher, who was an active member of Penelope Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., the drama, "The Spinster's Return from Klunkike," which was to have been given Friday evening in Odd Fellows hall under the auspices of the lodge was indefinitely postponed.

At a meeting of the Sewing Circle of the Grange, the president, Mrs. W. C. Boyce, in the chair, these committees were chosen for the evening of the dramatic entertainment, Friday, April 2: ice cream, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Barker, Mrs. J. W. Coe; candy, Mrs. Frank M. Greenwood, Miss Esther Alice Boyce, Miss Carrie M. Bassett. The next meeting of the organization occurs Thursday afternoon, March 25th, at the Charitable Union rooms.

Annual statement of Sutton's mills: President, William Sutton; treasurer, George H. Clough; annual meeting, Feb. 17; end of fiscal year, Jan. 1. Report shows: Assets—Real estate, \$123,000, machinery, \$60,000, merchandise, \$144,461, cash and debts receivable, \$3,931, suspense account, \$35,988, good will, \$100,00, profit and loss, \$77,752, total, \$547,122: Liabilities—Capital, \$300,000, accounts payable, \$46,622, funded indebtedness, \$133,000, floating indebtedness, \$67,500, total, \$547,122.

The following appeared in Friday evening's Haverhill Gazette:

Postmaster Charles M. Hoyt was informed of the action of the general court Thursday night, relative to filling the late Representative Will's position, and upon learning the date of the special election he stated that a meeting of the district committee, of which he is chairman, would be called immediately. By the recent agreement of the committee the choice of a representative to the legislature from the 10th Essex district goes to North Andover this year.

James H. Lamb, an ordinary seaman aboard the U. S. battleship Kentucky, one of the big fleet in the famous globe circumnavigating cruise, is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lamb, East Water St., on a two weeks' furlough. The young sailor, who is in first class health and looking finely, has a most interesting fund of experiences and incidents to relate, and he brought with him an attractive collection of curios from far-away lands. George Johnson, an ordinary seaman on the same vessel will arrive here later.

The Selectmen received Tuesday the following petition, bearing a number of signatures: To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of North Andover: "We, the undersigned citizens and residents along the line of the Lawrence and Salem electric railroad, hereby respectfully petition your honorable board to take such action as is necessary to secure another car to run between the hours of 6 and 8.15 a. m.; also to charge fares in accordance with the special condition of the franchise.

Arrangements have been made for the following series of talks before the Johnson High school pupils: Friday, March 19—J. Harry Lynch on "Famous Composers," illustrated by selections.

March 26—School Committee men Charles Adams Appleton, "The National Militia System." Mr. Appleton will speak from personal experience. April 4—Work Warden Peter Holt on "The Tree of the Tree Warden." April 11—Attorney C. J. Mahoney on "How Taxes are Levied and Collected." April 18—Dr. Charles P. Morrill on "Hygiene." April 25—Attorney A. F. King, Jr., on "Common Laws of Business."

The many friends of Mrs. Susie E. M. Christopher, wife of Melvin Christopher, learned with feelings of deep regret of her death, which occurred at 12.20 o'clock Saturday morning at her residence, 65 Railroad avenue. The deceased was born in North Andover 26 years ago, the daughter of Selectman and Mrs. S. D. Hinxman. She leaves a memory fragrant with kindly acts and helpful deeds. Mrs. Christopher was a member of the M. E. church, Penelope Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., and Equity lodge, N. E. O. P. She leaves besides her husband and parents, already mentioned, two children, the oldest, Grace Adelaide, and the youngest only five weeks, a brother, Charles W. Hinxman, and two sisters, Mrs. Frank W. Abbott and Miss Addie L. Hinxman. They have the sincerest sympathy of the community in their bereavement. The funeral was held Sunday.

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All my lands and buildings situated in Andover and North Andover, in said County of Essex, including my homestead and other lands devised to me by father in the year 1891, and all the lands which I have acquired by conveyance from other parties and still retain, being altogether six hundred (600) acres, more or less, all of which I conveyed to Mary A. Carleton, Emily F. Carleton and Hannah F. Carleton, by deed dated October 8, 1900, and which they have reconveyed to me by deed recorded with Essex Deeds, Northern District, Book 181, Page 227, subject to existing mortgages of record.

Said premises will be sold subject to all prior mortgages, taxes, and other municipal assessments, and a deposit of \$250.00 will be required to be paid at the time and place of sale, balance in ten days, at the office of Barton & Barton, 35 Congress Street, Boston, Mass.

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METHUEN

Rev. Alfred Humphries conducted the funeral services of Mrs. Sarah Bass, held at her late home, 4 Carleton street, Tuesday afternoon. Burial was in Bellevue cemetery.

The monthly meeting of the Methuen Historical society will be held next Monday at 8 o'clock. The address will be given by Miss Mary C. Sweet, on "The Women of Today."

Daniel C. Rollins, a native of Deerfield, N. H., and for a long time a resident of Methuen, passed away Sunday at his home, 75 Union street. Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon and burial was in Walnut Grove cemetery.

Methuen churches will unite with the churches in Lawrence in the movement now on foot to get Dr. Chapman in that city for the evangelistic services next year. Rev. Alfred Humphries of St. George's Primitive Methodist church is on the committee of arrangements for the revival meetings.

At the entertainment held in Nevin's Memorial hall last Tuesday evening, the following with the members of the Washington club of the High school contributed: Miss Helen Frederick, Berry's orchestra, Mawle vaudeville artists and Pierce and Rolldoux. The entertainment was followed by dancing until midnight.

With a large chorus choir to assist in the singing, with the Alexander hymn books to be used at the meetings, and with able addresses, it is expected that the series of evangelistic services which is to be conducted by the local churches beginning next week, will be most interesting and inspiring. The meetings open Sunday at 7 o'clock in the town hall.

Rev. William B. Taylor of Lonsdale, R. I., who was invited to succeed Rev. Mr. Kershaw as pastor of the Second Primitive Methodist church, has declined. Rev. Mr. Taylor was located here eight years prior to going to Lonsdale. He was the second choice of the parishioners of the local church. Rev. Mr. Ullom of Lowell was third choice and he, too, has declined to come to Methuen. Another church meeting will have to be held next week to decide on further action. The pastorate of Rev. Mr. Kershaw will be concluded here April 1.

An adjourned town meeting was held in Methuen Saturday afternoon when the citizens met and continued in the work of disposing of articles on the town warrant and the conducting of annual town business. The meeting was fully as well attended as the meeting a week ago and there were lively discussions. Granville E. Foss presided as usual as moderator. An effort was made to reconsider the vote of a week ago which set the salary of the selectmen, overseer of the poor at \$300, but when a vote was taken on the reconsideration the proposition was turned down flat. The sum of \$900 per year was set as the salary of the chief of police to be appointed by the selectmen.

Reserved seat tickets for the Y. M. C. A. Carnival Wednesday night can be procured at the association rooms. They are being disposed of readily, and a large attendance is assured. Only 140 of the 400 seats at the hall have been reserved. The points in the membership contest will be kept secret from now until the closing time. Saturday night the points stood: Reds, 145, White, 140, Greens, 80, Blues, 65. The result will be announced at the carnival Wednesday night. The local bowling tournament in duck pins began Monday night. There are five teams. The schedule follows: March 16, teams 1 and 2; March 18, 3 and 4; March 23, 2 and 6; March 25, 1 and 3; March 30, 2 and 4; April 1, 1 and 5; April 6, 3 and 5; April 8, 1 and 4; April 13, 2 and 3; April 15, 4 and 5.

The Boston Rovers and the Methuen Cricket and Association football clubs will meet on the Methuen grounds Lexington day, in a game of soccer football.

NORTH ANDOVER

Last Wednesday evening the North Andover club house was opened to the ladies and gentlemen for dancing.

North Andover relatives and friends of Mrs. Oliver P. Berry of Wolfboro Falls will be glad to learn that she is rapidly recovering from her recent illness.

The following letters remain unclaimed at the parish postoffice: R. E. E. Bradley, Bemis & Cooper, George N. Holcomb, Mrs. McGregor, Addie Norton, Fred Russell Nason.

A special rally was held last evening in the Central M. E. church. Rev. George E. Sanderson, the pastor, spoke on "The Revival, Its Influence in Chicopee."

These candidates have announced themselves for the republican nomination for representative: Selectman Peter Holt, Assessor William Halliday and former Selectman Walter H. Hayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin W. Farnum held a delightful whist party Monday evening, at their picturesque home, the "Birches." In attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coe, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin W. Farnum, Mrs. Frances T. Wilson, Miss Harriet E. Towne, Miss Mary E. Towne, M. Putnam Towne, Clarence W. Farnum, Ralph S. Farnum.

At the regular meeting of Harmony lodge, I. O. G. T., held Tuesday evening, delegates and alternates to the grand lodge meeting in Springfield April 7 and 8 were elected, followed by a debate and social. The delegates were: James M. Craig, Lyman Pentz and Miss Sadie Rokes, while the alternates were Henry Albrecht, Areta Miller, and Mrs. Frank Barettaux. It was voted to attend the district meeting which takes place with Irene Lodge of Lowell this evening. The subject of discussion for the evening was "Which is the Most Beneficial to a Town, License or No License?"

THE SEASON'S ENTERTAINMENT

THE BOSTON SHOW

"The Man of the Hour"

While "The Man of the Hour" which William A. Brady and Joseph R. Grismer brought to the Boston Theatre last Monday night, renewed its former great popularity in Boston, it can only remain for the week beginning the 22nd instant. It is perhaps the best known play in America. It grips and keeps hold. It is sound and wholesome, with flesh and blood characters, dealing with vital conditions in a virile manner. It contains more laughs than many a farce, and its love interest is quite charming. It is a graphic exposition of political juggling. Its tremendous vogue is clearly significant of appeal to all manner of men and women. There is a phrase on the posters that tersely explains the remarkable interest it has stirred up—"A Play About Something". Therein lies the enduring value of the piece. It has a substantial story told through characters human and plausible; just such people as one daily rubs elbows with in public and private life.

Oscar Hammerstein's Manhattan Theatre grand opera company begins an all too brief engagement of two weeks Monday night, March 29. The sale of seats for the single performance begins on March 22 at 9 o'clock a.m. The season tickets have already been delivered. Their number and the wealth and social standing of those who have applied for and received them, insures a season of grand opera of which Boston will be proud.

Colonial Theatre

The London Gaiety show that the Colonial theatre is presenting this week is perhaps the biggest foreign musical comedy production that Charles Frohman has ever imported for the American stage. The comedian of the organization is James Blakeley, who is well known and much liked by American audiences for his past efforts, having already been seen in "The School Girl" and "The Little Cherub." His humor is of the bubbling, unctuous order and thoroughly comprehended and appreciated by Americans. After Mr. Blakeley there comes a comedian new to the American stage, but long popular in London, Lionel Mackinder, whose comedy work is wholly different from that of Mr. Blakeley. Other comedians are Ernest Cossart, Leslie Gaze, Ridgewell Cullum, Edward Garvie, Sarny Lambert and John E. Hazzard.

The feminine contingent would appear to be rich in talent. Prominent in the list is Louise Dresser, Aimee Angeles and May Naudain. The other ladies may not be as well known on this side of the Atlantic, but their share of the singing and dancing is none the less important and effective. It is in the choruses that "The Girls of Gottenberg" is said to particularly excel. The piece is deemed by competent judges a comic opera rather than a musical comedy and its success is largely attributed to this fact. There are nearly 100 people in the stage action. The book of "The Girls of Gottenberg" is by George Grossmith, Jr., and L. E. Berman, and the music by Ivan Caryll and Lionel Monckton.

Park Theatre

This week "Peggy Machree" is filling the Park Theatre with the soft

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Lawrence Opera House

The Kirk Brown company will play the whole week, at this theatre, the coming week, and will present a repertory of plays that few so-called popular-priced companies would dare to attempt. Of course there are those who dare to rush in recklessly where angels would fear to tread, but that sort of company only goes over the pike once. The Kirk Brown company has been on the road several seasons, and each season has been growing bigger and better. The list of plays to be presented is a most remarkable one for a company playing at the prices they do, and best of all the company is all that has been claimed for it. It played a three-days' engagement here, last season, and completely captivated the town. Following the Kirk Brown company "The Great Divide" and the Paul Cazeneuve French company will play return dates.

Kirk Brown Company

The Lawrence Opera House will have Kirk Brown and his excellent company all next week, opening with

the peat smoke, the scent of the heather and the song of the lark, while Joseph O'Mara and his clever company present that romance of Irish life. The play opens with an Irish scene near Downkilly Fair, Lady Margaret O'Driscoll, for a lark, disguises herself as a colleen and meets a gay Irish traveler, Barry Trevor, who induces her to enter into a mock marriage with him so as to afford some additional fun for the villagers. The marriage is made valid by a real priest performing the ceremony. Consternation follows and Barry rushes off to the wars to free Peggy by getting himself slaughtered. At the end of five years he turns up very much alive and finds in the lovely Margaret O'Driscoll his peasant bride of Downkilly Fair. The beautiful old Irish melodies which are interpolated in the piece are splendidly sung by Joseph O'Mara, who brings a grand old training and the heritage of Celtic spirit to aid him in his art, and by a chorus of over 40 well trained voices. All of the characters are in the hands of competent players, carefully selected with the idea of personality and fitness for the roles. Among them are Adrienne Augarde, a young English actress of rare beauty and ability, who has been winning fame by her clever performances in such great dramatic productions as "The Sins of Society," and "Lady Clancarty," as well as in the leading roles of George Edwards' musical comedies; Corah Adams, Jennie Lamont, Viola Leach, John D. O'Hara, Marcus Moriarty, Dan Fitzgerald, Arthur Wynn and Marcus MacDermott.

Boston Theatres

Park—Josephs O'Mara in "Peggy Machree."
Colonial—"The Girls of Gottenberg."
Majestic—"The Witching Hour."
Hollis—Ethel Barrymore in "Lady Frederick."
Boston—"The Man of the Hour."
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Tremont—G. P. Huntley in "Kitty Grey."

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a special matinee performance of "The Charity Ball," Monday. On Monday evening, Mr. Brown will present his famous scenic production of Victor Mapes' colonial war romance "Captain Barrington". Other plays to be presented are Sarah Bernhardt's version of "Camille", "The Sign of the Cross", "Pudd'n Head Wilson", "The Merchant of Venice", "Othello", "The Wife", and "The Millionaire Detective". Advance sale for the entire engagement opens Friday, March 19.

"The Great Divide" Coming

Few plays ever attain the record-breaking popularity that has marked the two years' run of "The Great Divide" in New York. This play was produced by Henry Miller two years ago at the Princess and transferred to the historic Daly Theatre last season, playing in all over six hundred performances to the largest receipts in the history of either house. This greatest American play comes to the Lawrence Opera House, Monday, March 29.

Return Engagement of Paul Cazeneuve & Company

The French speaking company from the Theatre National Francais, Montreal, here recently, will pay a return visit to the Opera House, Thursday, April 1. The play presented on the return visit, will probably be "Don Caesar de Bazan". This company made a most favorable impression with those who speak French as well as with students and others, from the excellence of their acting and the elegance of the costumes and staging of the plays presented.

Another all star show will be seen at the Colonial Theatre this week. The management has secured a list of attractions that will surely make a knockout of a show, just the one to suit the patrons of this popular playhouse. The big attendance of the past week will be given a good fight this when the crowds will go to the Colonial to witness the offering, including plenty of comedy acts as well as entertaining vaudeville of the varied kind. The headline number is "A Night with the Poets", the most beautiful act in vaudeville today, and everywhere that it has been presented it has been voted the hit of the season. The act requires to people to act it and as for scenic and electrical effects its equal has never been seen on the stage. This number will create a big sensation in Lawrence and any time after Monday it will be the talk of the town. No one who likes to see something out of the ordinary and something good should think of missing this act. Arthur Huston and company will present their comedy hit called "With Roosevelt in Africa," which contains some up to date hits and which gives Mr. Huston and his clever company a splendid chance to display their natural ability. There is a laugh for every second that this act is on the stage and it is sure to be a big noise here this time there is more or less interest in Roosevelt and his trip to the wilds of Africa. An act that is sure to find favor here in Lawrence is no other than our old friend Ald Grant, one of the best comedians that has ever graced the vaudeville stage. He will be seen in bright sayings and some lively songs, while his monologue work will get him a warm reception. Ott Nelson and Stedman, in their screaming farce "Nearly a Doctor", is worthy of mention. Others on the bill will be "The Vital Question", the vaudeville or pocket edition of "The Man of the Hour." Brown and Cooper in parodies, Lynn Pratt and company in the comedy, "The Blue Danube". The moving pictures will be up to the standard.

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LAWRENCE

Work has already been started, digging for the foundation for the new six story mill which is to adjoin section D of the Wood Worsted mill.

A piece of land containing 26,000 ft. at the northwest corner of Bailey and trustees of the Lawrence Home for Aged People to St. Patrick's church.

Spontaneous combustion was responsible for a slight fire Saturday morning in the Munroe felt and paper mill. The damage was slight, more being caused by the deluge of water than by fire.

The revival campaign which has been conducted for the past two weeks at the Garden street M. E. church was brought to a close last Sunday evening when H. C. Conant, general secretary of the Massachusetts Sunday School Association delivered the final sermon.

The annual Irish night of St. Mary's parochial school, held Wednesday evening at the Opera house, surpassed all previous attempts. Four hundred children, dressed in white and green, and arranged in 15 tiers was the sight which first greeted the audience.

Little Lucy Lemareau, the 11 year old girl who has been missing for ten days was found in Methuen at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, who had taken her in out of pity. The child was returned to her parents, a sadder but wiser girl.

A tool chest at the Brightwood Manufacturing Company, the property of the firm of E. A. Peabody was broken into recently and a considerable number of tools taken. The matter was reported to the local police and Inspector Kelleher has succeeded in locating the entire assortment in the local pawn shops.

The committee on cities Tuesday afternoon reported unanimously "leave to withdraw," on the two bills of Mayor White, one of which was to abolish the overseers of the poor department and create a Board of Charities, while the other was to do away with the offices of assistant fire engineers.

A case of small pox has been reported to the board of health. The case was a well developed one when discovered, but the health authorities have no fears of the spread and every precaution has been taken to abate the dreaded disease. The patient is resting comfortably and her recovery is looked for.

Sunday afternoon before the meeting of the Y. M. C. A., Chaplain Day of Hartford, Conn., was the speaker. He took for his subject a very interesting story of a noted criminal in a large penitentiary in Pennsylvania, giving in detail the prison life, and daily incidents. Then followed the story of the convict's conversion.

It has been announced that Ora W. Boothby, for the past two years superintendent of the Lawrence division of the International Correspondence schools of Scranton, Pa., has resigned his position. He will be succeeded by A. R. Brewster, who for the past few years has been local representative under Mr. Boothby.

The St. Lawrence Dramatic club ably presented Andrew Mack's Irish drama, Shaun Aroon, Wednesday evening at City hall. The audience was large and in its enthusiasm helped to make the play an enormous success. Not a single hitch occurred and each of the characters played his or her part in a praiseworthy manner.

An indignation meeting of automobile owners of this city was held last Monday night in the Board of Trade rooms to protest against the bill now being considered before the committee on roads and bridges at the State House, Boston, which provides for an increased taxation on automobiles according to the horsepower of the machine.

The Irish Benevolent society held its 45th annual celebration Tuesday evening in Ford's hall on Oak street. The first part of the evening was enjoyed with dancing until intermission, after which a musical program was presented. The committee on arrangements composed: Michael Dunn chairman; Patrick Ford, David Donovan, Thomas F. Mullaney, John D. Murphy and Eugene P. White.

Charles Kitchen, cashier of the Washington mills, met with a very serious accident Sunday noon. While fixing the grease cup on his automobile, the glove on his right hand became caught in the machinery, and before he could pull his hand away, the four fingers were cut off. Mr. Kitchen is widely known and well liked by a large circle of friends who extend their deepest sympathy for his painful accident.

A special meeting of the Board of Health was held Tuesday night at the health department rooms on Oak street. The swill contracts were awarded to Benjamin Nice of Methuen and after much deliberation the much delayed stable permit was granted to Oscar Koerner of Newbury street. Several other affairs of lesser importance were warmly discussed. State Inspector of Health, Dr. William Hall Coon was present by appointment to address the meeting but no opportunity was given him to do so.

A plan is on foot to change the headgear of the police department from the old helmet to a more up-to-date cap. The cap is similar to the kind the Kaiser of Germany is usually represented as wearing. The cap was adopted by Police Commissioner Bingham of New York about three years ago and in that time it has given eminent satisfaction. Today the entire New York police force 8000 in number—are wearing the caps and in three years but 20 per cent. have been returned for repairs. The other 80 per cent. were worn for their third winter this year.

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IMPORTANT!

For the past four weeks all kinds of mail irregularities have operated to make the correspondence for this column late in arriving. To-day at the time for closing forms the regular letter is still missing. We shall make such changes as to guard against this service hereafter.

John Wilson, of Lowell, spent Sunday with relatives in the Vale.

John Shaw, of Brockton, spent Sunday with relatives in the Village.

Perry Parkhurst, of Malden, spent Sunday with relatives in the Vale.

Arleen Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Miller, is ill with pneumonia.

Miss Margaret Conway spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. John McQuade of Lowell.

Mrs. A. H. Conant, of Melrose, spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Smith, High street.

Miss Kate Egan, of North Andover, was the guest Sunday of her cousin, Miss Kate Flaherty, River street.

John Cronin is rapidly getting into shape for the coming baseball season at a private gymnasium in Lowell.

William Gibbs, John McKenzie and Mr. McKinnon, of Lawrence, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre.

A delegation of Epworth Leaguers attended the session of the Merrimack Valley Circuit League held in the Haverhill St. Methodist church.

The foot race Saturday afternoon between Joseph Izzard of Lawrence and Arthur Mitchell of Ballardvale attracted quite a crowd of interested spectators. Jos. Izzard won in 14 min., beating his opponent over a minute. Another race is being arranged.

The Board of Trustees of the Union Congregational Society met last Friday evening and organized for the year with the election of Daniel H. Poor chairman and H. E. Kendall secretary. Voted, that the regular meetings of the board should be held on the first Friday evening of each month and anyone having bills against the society are requested to present them on or before that meeting. Voted, to place the reed organ at the disposal of the Ladies' Aid Society. Voted, to put the town water into the church kitchen.

ANDOVER NEWS

Committee Enjoy Party

A most enjoyable time was spent last Saturday evening at the home of David Innis on Harding street by the members of the Burns' committee of Clan Johnstone, O. S. C. The members of this committee who have worked harmoniously together, have decided to form themselves into a social club and to meet once every three months and this was their first meeting. David H. Moncur was unanimously elected chairman.

Those present were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. George Guthrie, Mr. and Mrs. George Petrie, Mr. and Mrs. David Innis, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Batchelor, George Ireland, Mrs. Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sterling, and Mr. and Mrs. David Moncur.

A splendid supper was heartily enjoyed and a very interesting musical program was carried out, after which dancing was indulged in for an hour. Those who took part in the entertainment were as follows:

Violin selection, George Guthrie; song, "Thy voice is near", Wm. Sterling; songs, "When I gae back to bonny Scotland", "She's ma daisy", George Ireland; song, "Cam' ye by Athol", Mrs. Innis; song, "Memories dear", Mrs. Ireland; songs, "Robin Tamson's Smiddy", "Ye mind o' lang syne", David Innis; song, "Gathering up the shells from the shore", Mrs. Batchelor; songs, "Rothsaya Bay", "I canna want my gruel", Mrs. Moncur; songs, "Flow gently sweet afloat", "O a' the airts", David Moncur.

Before dispersing to their homes at a late hour, everyone expressed themselves as having had a glorious time and arrangements were then made to have the next meeting at the home of the chairman.

Guild Activities

The events of interest at the Guild during the past week, and the proposed activities for the coming week, are as follows:

March 16th—North Andover Boys' club opened tournament between two towns, their boys having challenged fifteen of our middleers in checkers, whist and bowling; best two out of three evenings. Messrs. Monro, McQuestion and Colby escorted 29 of the North Andover boys to the Guild and a merry evening, with 116 boys in the building, resulted in the Guild defeating the bowling teams 734 to 684 while North Andover defeated us 27 to 16 games of checkers and 140 to 100 in whist. Return events at North Andover, March 29th.

March 17th—Prize drill for Sewing School and Pay Girls, also the Junior Boys' clubs. Judges, Messrs. Stackpole, Lillard and Mrs. Harrington. Prizes awarded to Pay Class as follows—Emma Holt, Elsie Gleason, Phyllis Brooks. Sewing School—Ruth Lindsay, Eunice Stack and Bella Carrie. Junior Boys—Robert Black, Norman McLeish and George

Davies. In the evening, Rev. Frederic Palmer gave an illustrated talk on his recent tour through Egypt to the Senior and Middle Boys' clubs.

March 19th—The K. O. K. A. basketball team play our Middleers.

March 20th—The Intermediates of the Lawrence Y. M. C. A. play the second basketball team and the Seniors play the Juniors of the basketball teams from the Girls' clubs.

March 22nd—Miss Edith M. Howes of the Women's Federation of Workers, will address the Senior and Junior Girls' clubs on "An New Opportunity for Girls".

March 25th—Guild first team play return game with Y. M. C. A. of Lowell at that city.

March 27th—Prize Drill for Senior and Middle Boys' clubs and the Girls' clubs. Return trips to Charlestown at some future date.

Memorial Hall Library

The Memorial Hall Library does not reserve fiction for anyone, but so many requests are made to have a new book reserved when it comes in, that it may be of interest to explain how such a system of reservation actually works out. In libraries where this rule is practiced, the borrower leaves a penny for a postal card and finds that perhaps that ten other people are ahead of him on the reserve list. If it is a seven day book he has reasonable prospects of getting the book ten weeks hence. As a matter of fact, it is oftener three months, for between each borrower, the book, instead of being in constant circulation, is held up for a day while the person next on the list is notified. Seven day books are very likely to be kept overtime, and this also prolongs the time of waiting. By the time the person who stands number fifteen on the list is reached, the book very possibly has to go to the bindery or is otherwise laid up for repairs. It is no exaggeration to state that under such a system, there would be twenty-five names on each of ten lists for each of ten popular books. The amount of extra work entailed upon the librarian in record-keeping can easily be estimated.

Meanwhile because these ten popular books are being "reserved" they make no appearance on the shelves of the library, and borrowers without number are lamenting because "there are never any new books in." It is true they also may leave their name and their pennies, but when there are fifty names instead of twenty-five on the reserve list, the affair begins to resemble somewhat of an endless chain. Reservation of fiction or of other books in especial demand has proved in many towns to be so doubtful a benefit to the public that the officials of the Memorial Hall Library have thought it more fair to all borrowers not to reserve fiction for anyone. The new books are put back upon the shelf as soon as they come in and so each visitor to the library stands an equal chance of finding the book he wishes.

Got the Wrong Pie

The eating capacity of a local young man was well tested on Wednesday afternoon when an exhibition of his gastronomic powers was given before a large and interested audience of fellow Scotsmen. The exhibition was the result of a wager made by one of the party that he could eat more in one sitting than any man in town. When the question had been fully discussed, a bet was made that the "hero" could eat in one half hour, three dozen doughnuts and drink two gallons of water, this to be "topped off" with a pie. The wager was quickly taken up, and the feed was set before the big eater. The first dozen doughnuts were nice and fresh and were quickly devoured. The second were a little bit stale and when the third was reached they were as hard as brick bats, and it was no easy job to store them away. The water helped them to disappear more easily, and in 27 minutes the two gallons with the three dozen doughnuts were out of sight. Now came the final rub. The pie was brought upon the scene, but it was the undoing of the young man. The mere fact that he did not specify the kind of pie, lost for him the wager. A mince pie was presented to him but he threw up his hands and begged for squash. But no. Those in charge of the contest said mince pie or lose. In vain did the eater try to force the mince down. His seconds worked over him but still the mince pie refused to disappear. With but half a minute to spare he made a final effort to win the bet but more than half a mince pie remained on the board and the bet was lost.

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WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by Joseph A. Smart, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him, without giving surety on his official bond, no executor being named in said will.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the fifth day of April, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

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